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MRS. ADLAI E. STEVENSON.

Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, wife of Adlai E. Stevenson, died at her home in Bloomington, Illinois, on Christmas evening December 25, 1913.

Mrs. Stevenson was born in Allegheny, Pennsylvania, and was the daughter of Dr. Lewis Warner Green and Mary Fry Green. Dr. Green was one of the most eminent scholars of the South. He was, in the latter part of his life, president of Center College, Danville, Ky.

When a young girl, Mrs. Stevenson came to Illinois and was married from the home of her sister, Mrs. Matthew T. Scott, at Chenoa, Illinois, on December 20, 1866, to Mr. Adlai E. Stevenson. Shortly after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson moved to Bloomington, where they have since made their home, and where four children were born to them, one son and three daughters. The eldest daughter, Mary, died just as she was approaching womanhood. The surviving children are Lewis Green Stevenson, Mrs. Julia Stevenson Hardin, the wife of Rev. Martin D. Hardin, a noted Presbyterian clergyman, and Miss Letitia Stevenson. Mrs. Stevenson's life was the exemplification of what is most beautiful in womanly characteristics when these have been cultivated and allowed to reach their highest development. Her home, her husband, her children, her sister, her church and her friends were the supreme objects of her life and received from her the fullest measure of devotion.

During the first years of her married life, Mrs. Stevenson devoted herself entirely to her husband and her young children. Later, when she went to Washington, first as the wife of a congressman, then the Assistant Postmaster General and finally as the wife of the vice-president of the United States, she gave evidence of those high social talents and qualities of leadership which were so marked when she became the second President General of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, succeeding the wife of President Benjamin Harrison in this high office.

Mrs. Stevenson was descended from a long line of distinguished ancestors, and she was interested in the history of the country and the State in which her own family and her husband have borne so conspicuous a part.

The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, in which she and her sister Mrs. Matthew T. Scott, were leaders, was especially dear to her.

One of the last labors of her life was writing a history of this Society which was published just before her death. This organization will long cherish her memory and accord her name an honored place in its annals.

A friend said at the funeral of Mrs. Stevenson:

"Physically, mentally and spiritually, Mrs. Stevenson was like a flower. To her it was as natural to be sympathetically tactful and wisely helpful to all with whom she came in contact, as it is for a rose to exhale its sweetness. No one who has been privileged to know her, be it ever so slightly has failed to feel—if not to entirely comprehend—that here indeed, was one of those gifted souls who has pushed up and back the boundaries of our poor human nature, and revealed to us some of the rarer, higher and more exquisite potentialities of the race."

DEATH OF SENATOR SHELBY M. CULLOM.

Senator Shelby Moore Cullom, long a representative of Illinois in the United States Senate and former Governor of the State, died at his home in Washington, D. C., on January 28, 1914. His remains were brought to Springfield, Illinois, where a public funeral was held in the State Capitol building on Sunday, February 1, 1914, and he was buried in Oak Ridge Cemetery with the members of his family who had all preceded him in death. He left a sister-in-law, Miss Victoria Fisher, who had long been a member of his household, and two grand-daughters, the daughters of a deceased daughter, Mrs. Ella Cullom Ridgely, wife of Hon. Wm. Barret Ridgely.

At the funeral exercises addresses were made by Governor Edward F. Dunne, and other prominent speakers.

Senator Cullom was an honorary member of the Illinois State Historical Society, and took much interest in it and its publications, especially the Journal. He wrote many kind letters of appreciation of it to its editor.